

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (previously presented) A method of telecommunication over the Internet comprising the steps of:

inputting to a first communication terminal connected to a first telephone system a called directory number with a unique identifier;

responsive to said unique identifier translating the called directory number to an Internet address for an Internet to telephone system gateway capable of serving as a gateway between the Internet and a second telephone system serving said called directory number;

delivering to said second telephone system via said Internet said calling directory number; and

establishing through said second telephone system a connection to a second communication terminal identified by said directory number.

2-32. (canceled)